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SUBJECT: DUTCH AMBASSADOR'S CALL ON DEPUTY SECRETARY
RE MIDEAST

1. PRIOR TO HIS RETURN TO THE HAGUE FOR TWO WEEKS CONSULTATIONS, NETHERLANDS AMBASSADOR VAN LYNDEN CALLED ON DEPUTY SECRETARY RUSH OCTOBER 30, PRIMARILY TO DISCUSS MIDDLE EAST SITUATION. CONVERSATION OPENED WITH DISCUSSION OF ARAB EMBARGO OF OIL TO NETHERLANDS AND VAN LYNDEN CONFIRMED THAT AS OF OCTOBER 30 ALL NETHERLANDS' ARAB SUPPLIERS HAD CUT OFF OIL TO HIS COUNTRY. HE ADDED THAT DUTCH HAVE ONE OF THEIR AMBASSADORS VISITING SEVERAL ARAB CAPITALS, TRYING TO CLARIFY DUTCH ATTITUDES FOR
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ARAB LEADERS.

2. DEPUTY SECRETARY REVIEWED CURRENT SITUATION IN MIDEAST, EMPHASIZING THAT WE WERE ENCOURAGED BY FACT THAT

OUR LINES OF COMMUNICATION ARE OPEN WITH SOVIETS AND ALL COUNTRIES-INVOLVED. ASKED BY VAN LYNDEN IF WE HAD TURNED THE CORNER, DEPUTY SECRETARY SAID THAT WE WERE MOVING TOWARD THE CORNER BUT HAD NOT TURNED IT YET. VAN LYNDEN NOTED REDUCTION IN LEVEL OF ALERT FOR US FORCES AND ASKED ABOUT FLEET MOVEMENTS. DEPUTY SECRETARY REPLIED THAT SOVIETS HAD INCREASED THEIR FLOTILLA IN THE MEDITERRANEAN BUT, CONTRARY TO DOD PRESS STATEMENT, US FLEET MOVEMENTS IN INDIAN OCEAN WERE NOT TIED TO MIDEAST SITUATION.

3. VAN LYNDEN INQUIRED AS TO HOW MIDEAST SITUATION

AFFECTS OUR RELATIONS WITH EUROPE. DEPUTY SECRETARY STATE THAT WE WERE DISAPPOINTED WITH THE REACTIONS FROM OUR ALLIES, INCLUDING SPAIN. THIS VERY SERIOUS SITUATION COULD HAVE CAUSED SERIOUS ADJUSTMENT TO POWER RELATIONSHIP IN EUROPE. WE TRIED TO KEEP ALLIES INFORMED, DEPUTY SECRETARY CONTINUED, BUT THEY REFUSED TO PERMIT OVERFLIGHTS BEFORE WE HAD EVEN ASKED THEM. VAN LYNDEN SAID THAT HE WAS NOT AWARE THAT GON HAD BEEN ASKED ABOUT OVERFLIGHTS OR REFUSED THEM. DEPUTY SECRETARY ADDED THAT WE HAD NOT PLANNED TO ASK ALL OF OUR ALLIES, BUT WE WERE USING OUR OWN AIRCRAFT FROM OUR OWN BASES WITH OUR OWN MATERIEL AND ALL WE NEEDED WAS PERMISSION TO OVERFLY.

4. VAN LYNDEN ALSO ASKED ABOUT USE OF US TROOPS EARMARKED FOR NATO. DEPUTY SECRETARY SAID THAT OUR FORCES ARE UNDER NATIONAL COMMAND AND, AS IN CASE OF LEBANON IN 1958 AND SYRIAN TAK INVASION OF JORDAN IN 1970, COULD BE POSITIONED FOR OUR OWN PURPOSES.

5. AFTER VAN LYNDEN REFERRED TO PALESTINIAN OBJECTIVES, DEPUTY SECRETARY SAID THAT US AND USSR WILL WORK WITH THE PARTIES INVOLVED TO REACH A SETTLEMENT BUT WE CANNOT MAKE THE DECISIONS OURSELVES. KISSINGER
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